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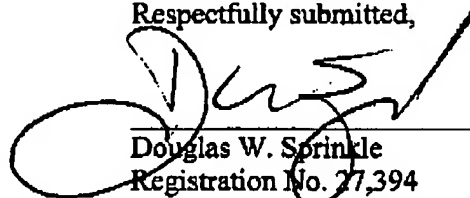
The Examiner's time and cooperation in his interview with Applicant's Attorney on August 17, 2004 is, of course, appreciated.

Claim 1, an independent claim in the instant application has now been amended in the fashion discussed at the above-mentioned interview. Dependent claim 2 has been cancelled and dependent claim 3 has been amended to conform to the amendment to claim 1.

As agreed at the above-mentioned interview, claim 1 as amended patentably defines Applicant's invention over the prior art references of record.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that this case is now in condition for formal allowance and such action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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